(b) if so, the progress made in this regard, so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA TIRATH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The contours of the scheme have been finalised.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Before we go to the next item on the agenda I would like the hon. Members to introspect very seriously, a totally extraneous matter was raised which has resulted in a loss of precious time. Now, Papers to be laid on the Table. Before we proceed to next item on our agenda, I would like the hon. Members to introspect very seriously. A totally extraneous matter was raised which has resulted in a loss of precious time.

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I. **Notifications of the Ministry of Mines**

II. **Memoranda of Understanding (2009-10) between Government of India and various Corporations and Company Limited**

THE MINISTER OF MINES AND THE MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE) : Sir, I lay on the Table:

I. A copy (in English and Hindi) of the Ministry of Mines Notification G.S.R. 96 (E), dated the 17th February, 2009, amending the Second Schedule of the Mines and Mineral (Regulation and Development) Act, 1957, under sub-section (1) of Section 28 of the said Act. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 387/15/09]

II. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:

(i) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region) and the North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketing Corporation Limited (NERAMAC), for the year 2009-10. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 386/15/09]

(ii) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region) and the North Eastern Handicrafts & Handlooms Development Corporation (NEHHDC) Limited for the year 2009-10. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 385/15/09]

(iii) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Mines) and the Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited (MECL), for the year 2009-10. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 384/15/09]

(iv) Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of India (Ministry of Mines) and the National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO) for the year 2009-10. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 383/15/09]